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Thirty Firefighters Prepare to Graduate from Fire Training Academy

State Fire Marshal Michael Matlick is announcing that 30 firefighters are preparing to graduate from the Washington State Patrol Fire Training Academy, North Bend, Washington. Graduation ceremonies will be held on Friday, May 1, 2009, at the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission Auditorium, 19010 1st Avenue S, Burien, Washington and will begin at 10:00 AM.

On February 5, 2009, 31 candidates started the 12 week program, and 30 will attain International Fire Service Accreditation Congress certification (IFSAC) for Firefighter I, and Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations level, and 27 will receive Firefighter II (IFSAC) certification.

The following fire departments and districts are represented in the upcoming graduating class:

Edmonds Fire Department	(1)	Lynnwood Fire Department	(1)
Hanford Fire Department	(4)	Monroe Fire District # 3	(7)
King County Fire District # 27	(1)	Pierce County Fire District # 16	(1)
King County Fire District # 45	(1)	Poulsbo Fire Department	(1)

Redmond Fire Department	(8)	South King Fire & Rescue	(2)
Snohomish Fire & Rescue	(2)	Yakima Fire Department	(1)

The Office of the State Fire Marshal is a Bureau of the Washington State Patrol, providing fire and life safety services to the citizens of Washington State including inspections of state licensed facilities, plan review of fire protection systems and school construction projects, licensing of fire sprinkler contractors and pyrotechnic operators, training Washington State's firefighters, and collecting emergency response data. For additional information you may visit our web page at www.wsp.wa.gov and then click on State Fire Marshal.

For more information on the Fire Training Academy, contact the Office of the State Fire Marshal at (360) 596-3900.

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